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March 15, 2011

Ref: UT 4-1247 UW-110220

Mr. Richard Finnigan 2112 Black Lake Blvd. SW Olympia, Washington 98512

Subject:

Summit View Water Works

Irrigation Rate Filing

Via E-mail
Data Request 7

Dear Mr. Finnigan:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) has received the company's proposed tariff revisions on facilities charges. To help Staff understand this filing, please provide the following items (if possible, in an electronic format compatible with Word or Excel software). Staff reminds the company to be <u>certain</u> to redact all items submitted for confidential information (such as bank or credit card account numbers or employees' social security numbers) before responding.

- 1. Under which groundwater permit or water right does Summit View sell irrigation water to its domestic customers?
- 2. Do the permits or rights listed in the response to question 3 have Family Farm designations?
- 3. If the water rights or permits listed in question 3 are subject to Family Farm designations, what permissions does Summit View or Candy Mountain LLC have to allow farm irrigation water to be used for domestic development irrigation?
- 4. In data request 6, #7, regarding the company's requested adjustment of \$15,298, staff asked for calculations showing the total costs incurred by Candy Mountain and its allocations to arrive at the \$15,298 adjustment figure. Summit View stated the calculations were included in an Attachment 4 which staff did not receive. Please provide calculations showing the total costs incurred by Candy Mountain (including detail showing to whom and for what expenses were incurred) and Candy Mountain LLC's allocation calculations to arrive at the \$15,298 figure.
- 5. In the company's response to Data Request 6, #2, regarding shared office space, Summit View indicated it does not share the leased office space at 8428 W. Gage Blvd, Suite E in Kennewick with any other affiliate. However, staff's review of Dept. of Ecology documents dated in June 2010 shows Candy Mountain LLC using the above address. Additionally, information at the Secretary of State's office and on a website for a hay producers' professional organization show Candy Mountain Farms using the above address. Please explain.
- 6. What is the size of the leased office space in square feet?
- 7. In the company's response to Data Request 6, #6, staff has reviewed the documentation submitted which shows that the company's total plant asset costs summarized are \$917,115. However, the depreciation schedule submitted by the company totals assets of \$1,073,284. The total of the notes signed between Summit View to Candy Mountain and Tri-City Development Corporation (TCDC) also total \$1,073,284. Please reconcile the difference.
- 8. In the company's response to Data Request 6, #6, staff has reviewed the documentation submitted and finds many of the documents are proposals or handwritten invoices. Please





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submit documentation that shows actual payment being made such as cancelled checks and invoices, identified by pertinent development phase or subdivision. Please be certain that all documentation identifies which of the affiliated companies actually made each payment.

- 9. For plant asset costs related to Summit View phases 1 and 2 and any other phases where water system assets were acquired as part of the initial purchase, please provide copies of the initial purchase documents.
- 10. Test year expenses include \$7,969 paid for a consultant involved in the asset transfer. In the company's response to Data Request 6, #6, staff has reviewed the documentation submitted. As part of the data request, staff requested consultants' reports establishing plant asset values. Please provide a copy of the results of the consultant's work.

Data requests responses, discussions, analysis, and negotiations need to be completed before staff can prepare materials for presentation to the Commission. If you have any questions, please contact me at awhite@wutc.wa.gov or (360) 664-1247.

Sincerely,

Amy White Regulatory Analyst